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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Application of:	§	
<b>RICHARDSON, Alvin Charles</b>	§	
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Serial No.:	§	Group Art Unit:
<b>09/915,603</b>	§	<b>2176</b>
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Filed:	§	Examiner:
<b>July 26, 2001</b>	§	<b>BASHORE, William L.</b>
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Title: <b>ADAPTIVELY WEIGHTED</b>	§	Atty. Docket #:
<b>PARTITIONED CONTEXT EDIT</b>	§	<b>06002.1005</b>
<b>DISTANCE STRING MATCHING</b>	§	
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION MAILED ON JUNE 14, 2004**

MAIL STOP: Non-fee Amendment  
Commissioner of Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

To the Office:

The applicant is in receipt of an Official Communication pertaining to the above-referenced case, the Official Communication having been mailed by the USPTO on June 14, 2004. In the Official Communication, the Office has rejected each of the pending claims, claims 1-30. In this response, the applicants address each and every issue that is raised by the Office in its Official Communication and submit that the claims, as presented in this response and as supported by the presented arguments, are in condition for allowance.

Accompanying this response, the applicants file a request for an extension of time and a revocation and appointment of a power of attorney.